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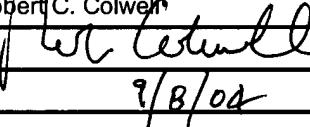
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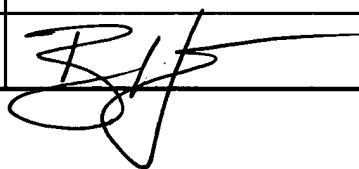
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PREVENTING DATA LOST WITH
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SAME RAID GROUP, THE
PREVENTING PROGRAMMING AND
SAID METHOD

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